

Sports Idolatry

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I enjoy watching sports. I especially love playing sports. Our body temples are amazing machines. The competitive pitting of individuals or teams against one another helps inspire excellence — and is a great deal of fun.

As I write this, I'm keeping an eye on Tom Brady playing his first game of the season, same team as last year — a great competition. But this is an exception. I rarely watch sports, I have so many other more important ways to spend my time. †

I learned as a young adult from Abraham Gwedezi and Hugh Nibley that there are many modern forms of idolatry — putting anything ahead of God: science, wealth, career, ^{politics,} hobbies, sports, etc... But that doesn't mean those things are bad. It's a matter of priority. But more than that, it's a function of where our heart is.

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kingdom of heaven on earth. And all the players ²
will be using their God-given gifts in an opti-
mal way. It will be much better than sports
are now.† But people won't be watching or
playing sports when they should be doing
something more important for them.

Today, too many people watch sports
in business as a pass-time because they've
not applied themselves to their unique
and important mission in life. That's idola-
try. Ditto other pass-times.

The very term "pass time" assumes a
person doesn't have a life purpose drive.
Life is meant to be fulfilling - for you to
love what you do. That happens when you
stay true to your life mission. ^{Yes,} having
fun doing a variety of things is important
to balance - within a reason. America way
overdoes it, as do many other countries.

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